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**END OF SESSION — HF 52 — INTERFERENCE WITH OFFICIAL ACTS OF COURT BAILIFFS**

**Description:** [House File 52](#) expands the protected parties under the offense of interference with official acts to include county bailiffs provided to the court pursuant to Iowa Code section [602.1303\(4\)](#). This Act provides that anyone who knowingly resists or obstructs a person performing bailiff duties commits the offense of interference with official acts under Iowa Code section [719.1\(1\)](#).

**Minority Impact:** This Act expands the definition of interference with official acts; there is no historical data to determine a minority impact.

**Correctional Impact:** The correctional impact is expected to be minimal due to the limited number of bailiffs who would be protected under the expanded definition of the crime. Under current law, the penalty for interference with official acts ranges from a simple misdemeanor to a Class D felony depending on the elements and severity of the crime.

**Fiscal Impact:** The fiscal impact is estimated to be minimal due to the limited number of bailiffs who would be protected under the expanded definition of the crime. The estimated average State costs per offense class type are as follows:

- Simple Misdemeanor: \$30 – \$330
- Serious Misdemeanor: \$250 – \$4,200
- Aggravated Misdemeanor: \$3,100 – \$7,000
- Class D Felony: \$6,300 – \$12,300

**Enactment Date:** This Act was approved by the General Assembly on April 3, 2017, and signed by the Governor on April 12, 2017.

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